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SUBJECT: CHANGES IN NAPLES GIUNTA

SUMMARY. IN WHAT AMOUNTS TO A TACIT RECOGNITION THAT THE "LARGA INTESA," JOINT ADMINISTRATION BY ALL THE PARTIES OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL ARC, IS NOT A POSSIBLE SOLUTION IN THE CURRENT NEAPOLITAN POLITICAL CLIMATE, THE PCI-PSI- PDUP COMUNAL GIUNTA LED BY NAPLES MAYOR MAURIZIO VALENZI RESIGNED LATE LAST WEEK AND IMMEDIATELY RECONSTITUTED ITSELF WITH THE ADDITIONAL PARTICIPATION OF THE PSDI AND THE PRI. THIS GIVES THE NEW GIUNTA PRECISELY HALF (40 OF 80) OF THE VOTES ON THE COMUNAL COUNCIL. THE NEW GIUNTA SHOULD BE FORMALLY INSTALLED IN EARLY DECEMBER. END SUMMARY

1. IN SETTLING FOR THE PCI-PSI-PDUP-PSDI-PRI "PICCOLA INTESA"

THE SOCIALISTS AND THE COMMUNISTS APPEAR TO BE GRUDGING

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RECOGNITION THAT "LARGA INTESA" SOLUTION WHICH THEY HAVE SO ENTHUSIASTICALLY SOUGHT FOR THE NAPLES ADMINISTRATION IS NOT POSSIBLE. "L'UNITA," IN ITS COVERAGE OF THE AFFAIR DECLARES THAT THE FAILURE IS THE FAULT OF THE GAVA FORCES WITHIN THE NEAPOLITAN DC AND THERE IS SOME TRUTH IN THIS. CERTAIN ELEMENTS WITHIN THE LOCAL DC ARE WELL-DISPOSED TO DC-PCI CO-OPERATION IN ANYTHING SHORT OF AN OBVIOUS TWO-PARTY "COMPROMESSO STORICO," AND THE GAVA ORGANIZATION WORKED HARD TO BLOC THAT SORT OF

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THINKING.

2. EVEN WITH THE NEW PSDI AND PRI SUPPORT THE MARGIN IS VERY THIN.  
WITH ONLY 40 VOTES OUT OF 80 THE GIUNTA IS GOING TO NEED HELP WITH  
ITEMS LIKE PASSING THE BUDGET. REPORTEDLY, THE PLI HAS PROMISED  
TO SUPPORT THE GIUNTA ON THE BUDGET VOTE, THOUGH THE LIBERALS  
WERE NOT WILLING TO ENTER THE GIUNTA. THOSE LIBERALS ARE  
EQUALLY ESSENTIAL TO THE DC. THEY'RE ALL THAT PREVENTS THE  
CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS FROM BEING ISOLATED ON THE RIGHT WITH THE  
MSI/DN; THE POLITICAL FATE WORSE THAN DEATH.

3. IN MANY RESPECTS THE NAPLES SITUATION IS AN INTERESTING  
SWITCH ON THE DC'S NATIONAL PREDICAMENT. THE COMMUNIST LED  
GIUNTA GOVERNS ONLY WITH THE OUTSIDE SUPPORT OF THE DC AND THE

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NOT-SO-SECRET DC POLICY OF GIVING THE GIUNTA ONLY ENOUGH SUPPORT  
TO HANG ON UNTIL THE NEXT ELECTIONS WITHOUT THE KIND OF SUPPORT  
NECESSARY TO ACTUALLY ACCOMPLISH SOMETHING HAS CLEARLY FRIGH-  
TENED THE PCI. IN AN INTERVIEW APPEARING IN "LA REPUBBLICA" (26 NOV)  
NAPLES MAYOR VALENZI IS ASKED WHETHER THE FORMATION OF THE NEW  
GIUNTA WASN'T AN IMPLICIT ADMISSION THAT THE OLD ONE ACCOMPLISHED  
VERY LITTLE. HIS HALF-HEARTED REPLY: "WE DID EVERYTHING IT WAS  
POSSIBLE TO DO." CUMMINGS

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